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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Docket No. LOT9-2001-0008

Applicant: Steven L. Rohall and Seymour Kellerman
Serial No: 09/995,151
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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MAINTAINING CONVERSATION
THREADS IN ELECTRONIC MAIL
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Before conducting examination of the above-identified application, please enter the following amendments:

In the Drawings

Please amend Figs. 2, 5A, 7 and 8 as highlighted on the enclosed sheets.

Remarks

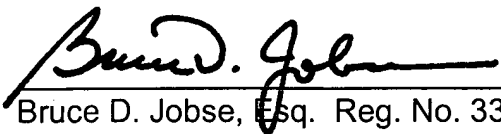
Before examining the above-identified application, please enter this preliminary amendment and the proposed corrections to the drawings as set forth herein.

Applicants propose amendments to Figs. 2, 5A, 7 and 8 to correct grammatical mistake in Fig. 5A, to add reference numbers to Figs. 7-8, and to conform Fig. 2 to the description in the specification regarding element 230. No new matter is believed added to the application by way of the proposed amendments to the figures as set forth herein.

Applicants believe the claims are in allowable condition. A notice of allowance for this application is solicited earnestly. If the Examiner has any further questions

regarding this amendment, he/she is invited to call Applicants' attorney at the number listed below. The Examiner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any balances under 37 CFR §1.17, and 1.16 to Deposit Account No. DA-12-2158.

Respectfully submitted,



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